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## AWFUL DEATH.

Sherman Morris and Miss Lillie McAtee Drowned at Fern Grove Monday.

Lost Balance and Fell Overboard While Changing Oarsmen.

The Bodies were Not Recovered Until Late Wednesday Afternoon.

## GREAT BLOW TO THEIR PARENTS

One of the saddest and most heartrending catastrophes of recent years happened last Monday evening at Fern Grove, when Lillie McAtee and Sherman Morris lost their lives by drowning.



MISS LILLIE M'ATEE.

bringing to a sad end what had been a pleasant day's outing. The annual excursion and picnic of Mackin Council left this city with over 2,000 happy souls, among them being Sherman Morris, of 2517 Duncan street, Clifton White, of 1853 Portland avenue, Misses Lillie McAtee, of 717 Eighteenth street, and Jessie Oldham, of 507 East Jacob street. Shortly before 6 o'clock the young people concluded to take a boat ride. They accordingly procured a skiff from one of the boatmen and rowed through the creek and out into the river. The most reliable information that can be gleaned as to what followed and the horrible results is that young Morris, who had been doing the rowing, there being but one pair of oars, had become tired. While out in the channel the Cincinnati boat was seen approaching from Louisville, when Morris asked his companion to relieve him. Both men rose from their seats to change positions, and while doing so the skiff tipped. In their efforts to recover their balance Morris fell overboard, followed by Lillie McAtee. During the momentary excitement White dropped the oars, which floated down stream, leaving him and the Oldham girl in a helpless condition and unable to render any assistance.

The first boat that was to bring the throng of picnickers home was lying at the wharf, and its hundreds of occupants witnessed the accident. The young lady sank immediately upon touching the water, but Morris rose once and then went down to rise no more. The hundreds who lined the shore were unable to render any assistance, and for a time



SHERMAN MORRIS.

great excitement prevailed, as it was known to but few who the occupants of the skiff were, among them being the mother of the drowned girl. Meantime John Hagadorn had pulled from the shore in a skiff and arrived only in time to rescue the survivors from being run down by the approaching Cincinnati packet. While bringing them to the shore Mrs. McAtee's suspense was terrible, and the scene that followed when she learned that it was her own child who lost her life was heartrending. Edith McAtee, another daughter, when she learned the sad news in the grove, where she had been assisting Mackin Council, fell into a swoon, and for a time her life was despaired of, as convulsion followed convulsion.

The day had been most pleasantly spent, but when it was stated that an accident had occurred gloom prevailed everywhere. The outing was brought to a sudden end, every face bearing a sorrowful expression. Charles Raidy and the members of Mackin Council did all that was possible for the prostrated mother and daughter, telephoning to Louisville and preparing the parents of all for the sad home-coming. The ladies reached their residences another heart-rending scene was witnessed. During all this time, however, efforts were being made to recover the bodies, but without avail. Capt. Devan and Life Saver Gilhooley

left for the scene and dragged the river all day Tuesday and Wednesday, but without result. The river at that point is deep and the current swift, which made the work difficult. Wednesday evening the bodies of the two unfortunate were recovered. Both were floating, that of Morris being found by his father. Miss McAtee's body was discovered by Fred Williams, a fisherman. They were at once brought to this city, Dougherty & Keenan taking charge of the remains of the girl and Schoppenhorst Bros. those of the boy.

The funeral of Miss McAtee took place from St. Patrick's church Thursday, and that of young Morris from his home the same afternoon. Both were attended by Mackin Council, the members of which are deeply grieved over the deplorable accident.

The two young people were well known and highly respected in the West End, and great sympathy is felt for their bereaved parents. The stories that they were sweethearts have no foundation whatever. They were simply friends out to enjoy themselves, and attempted to do only that which hundreds of thousands of others have done with safety heretofore at Fern Grove. This was one of that class of accidents which have occurred since the beginning of time, blame attaching to no one, and will doubtless continue to the end.

## VISIT THE OLD LAND.

Richard Quinn and William Laffey Return to the Scenes of Their Boyhood Days.

Richard Quinn, the well known and popular Limerick saloon-keeper, and Officer William Laffey left Thursday morning for New York City, from where they sail today for Ireland for a three-months' visit. The former, who is best known as the "Mayor of Limerick," goes especially to see his mother and sister, who still reside at Peter's Well, Kilthomas parish, County Galway, where Rick was born. Peter's Well is a historic spot in Ireland, fifteen miles from Galway, and the well there has been famous for over a century. It was here that the two spent their boyhood days. They will also be accompanied by a sister of Officer Laffey.

Wednesday evening Mr. Quinn's friends gathered in large numbers at Seventh and Oak and gave him a rousing send-off. There are many former residents of Galway living in that neighborhood, and young and old men, and women, were calling to send messages to the loved ones at home. Another large assemblage gathered to honor Mr. Laffey and his sister before their departure. They have the wishes of the entire community for a pleasant voyage and visit, and their safe return will be anxiously watched for.

Before his departure Mr. Quinn received letters of introduction to the United States Consuls and representatives abroad from the State Department and State and city officials. These will be invaluable, as the party intends visiting the Paris Exposition after making the tour of Ireland. It is expected they will meet Col. John Whallen and his party while in Dublin.

This visit of Mr. Quinn will be long remembered by the young of his native town. During the past week he procured one hundred bills of exchange, the first of the new issue for \$10 each, and while not a goldbug, he will present the youngsters with \$10 gold pieces.

Among those for whom he will carry messages are Thomas Burke, Tom Fallon, Martin Burke, John O'Donnell and Edward Crowley, whose last injunction was to be sure to call on the parish priest for him. Rick Quinn is one of the best-known and most successful Irishmen in Louisville, patriotic and public spirited, and his friends will hear from him with no small degree of interest. During his absence Pat Fallon will have charge of his business interests.

## COUNTY BOARD.

The Annual Convention and Election of President Next Tuesday Night.

The annual convention of the County Board of the Ancient Order of Hibernians of Jefferson county will be held next Tuesday night, when a successor will be elected to County President John A. Murphy.

The session will be an important one, as several questions of vital interest to the membership at large will come before the delegates for final action, among them that of a uniform initiation fee. All members of the order will be admitted to the convention, and there will doubtless be a large gathering of Irishmen.

The reports of the officers will show the Ancient Order of Hibernians to be in a flourishing condition, financially and numerically, the present membership exceeding that of St. Louis. The officers have done excellent work and have the respect of every one. Following the county election come the division elections, in which there is much interest.

## INTEREST GROWING

Much interest was manifested in the proceedings of the Central Committee of the Catholic Knights of America at St. Mary's Hall Monday night. The committee making arrangements for the eucharist at Fountain Ferry reported excellent progress. The affair will take place the latter part of July.

Messrs. Louis Hamel, Joe McGinn and Harry Veeneman have under consideration a feature for the entertainment of the delegates to the State convention, which meets here next September, that will prove unique and enjoyable and will attract the attention of all citizens.

Hands have they, but they handle not—clocks.

## HELD BACK.

Irish Officers and Friends Full of Vexation and Heart-burning.

General Election for Members of Parliament Probable in July.

Ireland Gaining Day by Day and Victory Can Not Be Far Off.

## THE LIBERAL PARTY IS DISRUPTED.

Everybody in England and in Ireland also is now talking of the dissolution of Parliament and the preponderance of opinion is that a general election will be ordered for July. This, of course, is dependent on the supposition that the war in South Africa will be over practically by the end of this month. In that event it is argued that the Government officials would be more than human if they did not seize the opportunity to appeal to the country, says a Dublin correspondent.

The sooner the election the better, the Tories think, for the Liberals are divided and their war chest is said to be low. This country takes but little interest in the issue, for it is certain to return its quota of eighty or more Independent Nationalists. It is not overlooked, however, that with the English troops at Pretoria and the jingoes more rampant than ever the present Government with all its anti-Irish prejudice and bitterness would be its own successor, and any hope for self-government or home rule would be killed thereby.

But the Irish are a people as patient as they are pugnacious, and they can wait a little longer for the fruition of their long-continued struggle. They are gaining something day by day and victory can not be delayed much longer. If a general election should soon take place the Liberals seem doomed to a crushing defeat, for they are hopelessly divided. Those of them who are crying out for justice and humanity to the Boers are regarded as anti-patriotic, and the real exponents of Liberalism of the Gladstone and Morley brand would have little show in most of constituencies, for the English just now seem crazed with the idea of conquest and ravenous for more blood.

And for that matter it is said, the Glasgow Herald being authority, that Lord Rosebery and his friends look with equanimity on a Liberal defeat and what that involves—the expulsion from the House of Commons of unpatriotic men. Rejection by the electorate of men of the Little Englander and pro-Boer school would leave the Liberal ball at the feet of Lord Rosebery. He would then be able to dictate his own terms and to resume the undisputed control of what remained of the Liberal party.

The officers—those of them that are left—of the Inniskillings and their friends are full of vexation and heartburning, and have good reasons, professionally as well as sentimentally, it would seem. The regiment has suffered terribly and before it emerged from the Natal campaign almost was annihilated.

Now it appears that the Irish officers who have not been killed in action or incapacitated by wounds or illness from further service have been passed over for the vacancies caused in the list of regimental positions by the war, and English officers who have seen no active service have been imported to fill the posts of promotion that should be given to men who risked their lives on the battlefield and bravely underwent the horrors and hardships of a campaign of almost unexampled severity.

## RECENT DEATHS.

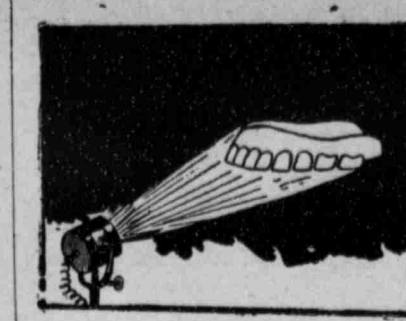
The death of Annie F. Ahern, the beloved wife of Pat Ahern, which occurred Tuesday morning at the family residence, 813 Franklin street, caused inexpressible grief to their wide circle of friends and acquaintances. Few women were held in higher esteem in the East End, where she was best known for her many charities and unostentatious kindness to the poor. Her funeral took place from St. John's church Thursday morning with solemn requiem mass, and was largely attended. Great sympathy is felt for the bereaved husband over his irreparable loss.

Mrs. Rosa Dwyer, the wife of Edward Dwyer, the well known Pennsylvania railroad engineer, died Wednesday at her residence on Illinois avenue, Jeffersonville, from an attack of typhoid fever and other complications. She was the daughter of Patrick Ansbro, and had been married eight years. Besides her husband she leaves a four-year-old son to mourn her loss. The funeral took place yesterday morning from St. Augustine's church.

The funeral of Michael Hines, who died Friday night at the residence of his parents, Thomas and Agnes Hines, 1910 Madison street, took place from the Sacred Heart church, and the interment was in St. Louis cemetery. The deceased was just coming into manhood, being in his twentieth year, and his death was a sad blow to his parents, who have the heartfelt sympathy of many friends and acquaintances.

Michael Toner, a well-known and highly respected resident of the West End, passed away Tuesday evening at his home on Nineteenth street, much to the regret of his many friends. For many years he was a devout member of the Sacred Heart church, from which his funeral took place with requiem mass Thursday morning, many attending the solemn obsequies.

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